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TAGS: PFOR, NL, NA, NS

SUBJECT: MINISTER PRONK'S REMARKS ON NATIONALIZATION OF

BAUXITE INDUSTRY IN SURINAM

REF: THE HAGUE 2804, 3009, PARAMARIBO 257, 265, 272, 285

FOR THE AMBASSADOR

1. DEPARTMENT HAS REVIEWED REFTELS AND ON BASIS OF THIS REVIEW WE ARE INCLINED TO SHARE CONSUL GENERAL'S CONCERN THAT MINISTER PRONK'S REMARKS ON NATIONALIZATION OF BAUXITE INDUSTRY IN SURINAM CAN ONLY BE INTERPRETED AS AIMED AT SURALCO DESPITE PRONK'S DISCLAIMERS. REQUEST THEREFORE THAT YOU SEEK EARLY OPPORTUNITY TO MEET WITH HIGHEST APPROPRIATE LEVEL OF GON TO EXPRESS OUR CONCERN ON THIS SUBJECT.

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2. IN COURSE OF REVIEW OF RECENT "SUMMIT" MEETING OF REALM

PMS AND TIMETABLE FOR SURINAM INDEPENDENCE, YOU SHOULD INDICATE TO GON OUR VIEW THAT ONE OF THE MOST USEFUL ASSETS SURINAM CAN CARRY WITH IT INTO INDEPENDENCE IS THE PROSPECT THAT THE NEW NATION WILL WELCOME FOREIGN INVESTMENT AND PROVIDE FAVORABLE CLIMATE IN WHICH IT CAN DEVELOP. ANY MOVE TO NATIONALIZE SURALCO OR OTHER PRIVATE INVESTMENT AT THE MOMENT OF INDEPENDENCE WOULD SEEM DESIGNED TO PRODUCE JUST THE OPPOSITE EFFECT. SHOULD THE DUTCH ENCOURAGE THE GOS BY PROVIDING THE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO

"BUY UP" PART OR ALL OF SURALCO, EITHER BY MEANS OF THE "GOLDEN HANDSHAKE" OR BY AN "INSTITUTIONALIZED" PROGRAM OF ASSISTANCE, THEIR ACTION WOULD, IT SEEMS TO US, BE BOTH SHORT-SIGHTED AND COSTLY TO THE GON AS WELL AS GOS. AS IT REMAINS US POLICY TO ENCOURAGE THE GON TO CONTINUE TO PROVIDE ASSISTANCE AND FOR THE US TO AVOID ANY SUBSTANTIAL INVOLVEMENT IN SURINAM, WITHOUT PRIVATE FOREIGN INVESTMENT, THE GON BURDEN FOR DEVELOPMENTAL ASSISTANCE CAN ONLY BE EXPECTED TO INCREASE.

3. IF THE GON IS COMMITTED TO DEVELOPING NATIONS HAVING A GREATER CONTROL OVER THEIR NATIONAL RESOURCES, THEY SHOULD CONSIDER PROVIDING THE GOS FINANCING FOR JOINT VENTURES IN NEW INVESTMENTS WITH FOREIGN FIRMS FOR DEVELOPMENT OF FORESTRY, FISHERIES, AGRO-BUSINESS, AND NEW MINING OPERATIONS. THIS ASSISTANCE MAY BE INSTRUMENTAL IN ATTRACTING FOREIGN INVESTORS WHO HAVE UNTIL THIS MOMENT HAD RESERVATIONS ABOUT GOS SOLVENCY AND GON CONTINUING INVOLVEMENT IN DIRECT ASSISTANCE TO THE GOS.

4. WE HAVE JUST RECEIVED AND REVIEWED THE HAGUE 3009 AND WE STILL BELIEVE THAT THE EMBASSY SHOULD PROCEED WITH ABOVE

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